

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chairman Jon C. Sesso, on April 15, 2009 at 10:30
A.M., in Room 102 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Duane Ankney (R)
Rep. Dennis Getz (D)
Rep. Bill E. Glaser (R)
Rep. Ray Hawk (R)
Rep. Teresa K. Henry (D)
Rep. Cynthia Hiner (D)
Rep. Roy Hollandsworth (R)
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)
Rep. Dave Kasten (R)
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)
Rep. Walter McNutt (R)
Rep. Robert Mehlhoff (D)
Rep. Penny Morgan (R)
Rep. Bill Nooney (R)
Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D)
Rep. Don Roberts (R)
Rep. Cheryl Steenson (D)
Rep. Dan Villa (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Jon C. Sesso, Chairman (D)
Rep. Llew Jones (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jon Moe, Legislative Branch
Samuel Speerschneider, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 303, 4/13/2009

Executive Action: SB 303

Rep. Hiner was appointed chairwoman for the day.

HEARING ON SB 303

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:36 Sen. David Wanzenried (D), SD 49, opened the hearing on SB 303, Update state water plan.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:05:41 Krista Lee Evans, Senior Water Rights Coalition
00:07:12 Holly Franz, Clark Fork Task Force; PPL Montana
00:11:21 Mike Murphy, Montana Water Resources Association
00:12:12 John Youngberg, Montana Farm Bureau
00:12:57 Tom Ebzery, Attorney, Billings
00:13:42 Ronda Wiggers, Montana Water Rights
00:14:16 Gary Amestoy, Richland County Economic Development Corporation

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:15:24 Jan Langel, Water Resources Division, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:16:37 Rep. Kasten
00:17:20 Ms. Franz
00:19:08 Rep. Kasten
00:20:30 Mr. Langel
00:20:53 Rep. Kasten
00:21:07 Mr. Langel
00:21:16 Rep. Kasten
00:21:28 Rep. Morgan
00:21:48 Sen. Wanzenried
00:22:13 Rep. Morgan
00:22:30 Sen. Wanzenried
00:22:55 Rep. Morgan
00:23:03 Sen. Wanzenried
00:23:25 Rep. Morgan

00:23:38 Sen. Wanzenried
00:23:49 Rep. Hawk
00:24:54 Sen. Wanzenried
00:25:25 Rep. Hawk
00:25:30 Sen. Wanzenried
00:25:56 Rep. Hawk
00:26:07 Mr. Langel
00:26:34 Rep. Hawk
00:26:37 Mr. Langel
00:27:01 Rep. Getz
00:27:40 Sen. Wanzenried
00:28:43 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:29:26 Mr. Langel

Closing by Sponsor:

00:29:56 Sen. Wanzenried
00:32:31 Rep. Glaser

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 303

Motion/Vote: Rep. Glaser moved that **SB 303 BE CONCURRED IN.**
Motion carried 17-3 by voice vote with Rep. Hawk,
Rep. Kasten, and Rep. Nooney voting no. Rep. Sesso
and Rep. Hollenbaugh voted by proxy.

00:33:49 Vice Chairwomen Hiner

ADJOURNMENT

00:34:07 Adjournment: 11:00 A.M.

Samuel Speerschneider, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([aph80aad.pdf](#))